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Lead Poisoning Hazard Prompts Cardinal Distributing to Again Recall Children's Rings

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of product: Children's Rings with Dice or Horseshoes

Units: About 200

Importer: Cardinal Distributing Co. Inc., of Baltimore, Md.

Hazard: The rings contain high levels of lead. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects. These rings were subject to the <u>July 2004</u> recall of 150 million pieces of children's metal jewelry. The firm placed the recalled rings that it had pulled from stores back into circulation.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported.

Description: The recalled rings are silver with either dice or horseshoes on top. The numbers on some of the dice are painted in various colors, others are not painted. The horseshoes have either pink and green or purple and yellow painted polka dots.

Sold in: Vending machines located in malls, discount, department and grocery stores in the Baltimore, Maryland area from August 2004 through March 2007 for

about 25 cents.

Manufactured in: India

Remedy: Consumers should immediately take the recalled rings away from children and throw the rings away.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Cardinal Distributing Co. Inc. at (800) 368-2062 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.vendingdepot.com





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To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270, or visit CPSC's web

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